GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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DISCARDED MEDICAL EQUIPMENT
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether discarded medical equipment from America are finding their way to India for the treatment of patients as reported in the Rashtriya Sahara dated December 30, 2002;

(b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein;

(c) the agency through which the said equipment are being imported;

(d) whether these equipment are actually useful for the country; and

(e) if not, the steps taken/being taken by the Union Government to check the import of such equipment?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) to (e) The Ministry of Health & Family Welfare has no knowledge of import of discarded medical equipment from America through any agency.